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## **HOUSE BILL 673**

By Lynn

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 9, Chapter 8 and Title 12, relative to tort liability with respect to certain contractors with the state.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 9-8-307(e), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (1) and adding the following new subdivision (2):

(2) For causes of action arising in tort, the limits on damages and the defenses and immunities under subsection (d), and the limits on damages under subdivision(e)(1), apply to any contractor who provides direct client services on behalf of the department of children's services, the department of mental health and substance abuse services, and the department of intellectual and developmental disabilities.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on July 1, 2017, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to causes of action arising on or after July 1, 2017.